WILDFIRE NEWS UPDATE

Northern Utah Interagency Fire Center

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10:00 a.m., Sunday, August 28, 2005...Salt Lake City... State Route 68 remains open to thru-traffic only along the west side of Utah Lake, south of Saratoga Springs, to provide for firefighter safety on the Pelican Fire. Drivers will be advised on the northern and southern ends of the fire area by the Utah County Sheriff's Deputies.

"We really appreciate the cooperation we've received from the affected public-thank you," said Incident Commander Brook Chadwick. Chadwick continues, "I know this is a popular spot for folks, especially during the weekend, and many may feel inconvenienced by the road restrictions but firefighter safety was jeopardized with the target shooting in the area."

The Pelican Fire Incident was contained at 8:00 p.m. last evening, 8/27/2005. Two Type 2 Initial Attack handcrews will continue to work the fire today.

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